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TO: Patrick Ogawa, Acting Executive Officer
County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors

FROM: Cynthia D. Banks, Director
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SUBJECT: **PUBLIC COMMENT TESTIMONY**

This is in response to your memo dated August 13, 2015, regarding the request made by Stenson Tolan at the Board of Supervisors' meeting on August 11, 2015. According to the meeting transcript, Mr. Tolan made a public statement in which he expressed his concerns for the elderly, particularly those who are being taken advantage of or abused by their children. The purpose of the Adult Protective Services (APS) program is to respond to reports of suspected abuse/neglect of elders and dependent adults, and our primary goal is to provide for their safety and security.

Please be advised that Mayor Antonovich's office had made an Adult Protective Services (APS) referral for Mr. Tolan to my office. Accordingly, our Governmental Inquires and Response (GIR) unit has started the investigation process. I will provide an update once the investigation is completed and a service plan is developed to assist Mr. Tolan. Please let me know if you have any further questions regarding this matter.

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c: Each Supervisor

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